HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1124 By Turner (Ham)

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize William C. Dixon, 2002 Valedictorian of Chattanooga Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, William C. Dixon is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Chattanooga Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, William has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Dixon has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average, while participating in various scholastic, community, and extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished athlete on the Golf team, Mr. Dixon is a member of the Cultural Studies Society, the World Studies Society, the American Studies Society, the Leadership Class, the Yearbook Staff, the National Beta Club, the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, the Prom Committee, the Student Council, the Superintendent's Student Advisory

Council, the Principal's Student Advisory Council, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Science Club, the Envirothon Competition, and the Office Staff; and

WHEREAS, William is active in his church's Youth Choir and is a part of the church's Audio/Visual Committee; he has volunteered at the Bayside Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School and has been a favorite Camp Counselor at Crosspoint Children's Sports Camp and at the Hamilton County Baptist Association; and

WHEREAS, William also knows the meaning of a hard day's work; during the summer of his Freshman year, he worked twenty hours a week constructing decks, and during his Sophomore year; he worked fifteen hours a week for White Oak Computer Services; and

WHEREAS, William C. Dixon's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dixon's academic accomplishments have been recognized by his receipt of awards in Latin II, Drafting I, Drafting II, Biology, Physical Science, Advanced Math/Geometry, Chemistry, and Pre-Calculus; he has also earned the Cultural Studies Academic Award, Bausch and Lomb Science Award, and the Academic Letter/Bar; and

WHEREAS, admired and respected by his peers, William has been voted as the "Torchbearer" in his Senior class superlatives; he won the "Who's Who" Award, the Tri-Hi-Y Ideal Guy, a Y-Teens Honorary Member, the Best All-Around Sophomore, the Best All-Around Junior, and a member of the Homecoming Court and the Senior Court; and

WHEREAS, he has honed his leadership skills as the Class President of his Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior classes, as the Science Club Vice President, the Prom Committee President, the National Beta Club President, the Business Editor of the Yearbook, and the Vice President of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, William Dixon's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; his dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Chattanooga Central High School Valedictorian, William C. Dixon, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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